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To: Microsoft ATR

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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear sirs:

You may add my name to the list of people who are dissatisfied with the proposed

settlement suggested by the Microsoft Corporation. I believe that giving Poor school

districts refurbished PCs and software, will only end up adding to the monopoly that

they now enjoy. It will also impoverish the already under funded schools, in

maintenance of these reworked machines plus the continual cost of updating them,

and upgrading the software. It seems a very clever ploy to get more schools locked in

to the "Microsoft Way", which has already proven to be expensive to businesses and the

private sector alike. I believe Microsoft needs to forfeit a stiff fine, and have this granted

to these schools, with the choice of Operating Systems, Windows, Macintosh, Linux or

whatever. Thank you for taking time to read this.

sincerely.

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